

# GOVERNOR MANN APPROVES ACTIONS OF LEGISLATURE

Executive Returns With His Signature Vast Volume of New Laws.

SOME ARE NOT YET SIGNED

But Few Vetoes Among Bills Reached Up to This Time.

Governor William Hodges Mann has today to Clerk John W. Williams, keeper of the rolls of Virginia, with approval, a large batch of new laws. In certain emergency cases the take effect from their signature; but with the greater number they are effective as State laws ninety days from yesterday. There are still a number of bills in the hands of the Governor, which he has not had time to sign. Bills have been signed as follows:

## Senate Bills

To amend and re-enact an act to provide for working the roads, repair of highways and opening new roads in the county of Augusta. Patron, Mr. Chiles.

To regulate the taxation of bonds in the cities, towns and counties of the State of Virginia. Patron, Mr. Echols.

To amend the law as to the appointment of delegates in Elizabeth county. Patron, Mr. Holt.

To dedicate as and for a public use a strip of land composing the northwest corner of the Capitol Square exceeding fifteen feet at the south. Patron, Mr. Lessor.

For the relief of the estate of James Phillips, deceased. Patron, Mr. Lessor.

To raise the tax on fire and life insurance companies. Patron, Mr. Folkes.

To repeal a joint resolution entitled "An act to amend the act of the General Assembly of the State of Virginia, approved March 5, 1888." Patron, Mr. Folkes.

To amend the law in regard to foreign corporations. Patron, Mr. Holt.

To amend the law as to incorporation. Patron, Mr. Holt.

To enable incorporated towns and cities to contribute to the building improvement of public roads and bridges. Patron, Mr. Strode.

To amend an act requiring notaries public to take the oath of office. Patron, Mr. Strode.

To amend the law as to the payment of taxes by delinquents. Patron, Mr. Strode.

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## House Bills

To amend an act to provide, in cities containing 70,000 inhabitants or more, for the election of a special justice of the peace, to be known as the civil justice, to prescribe his jurisdiction and duties, and to fix his compensation; and to authorize the issue by other justices of the peace in said cities of warrants for the arrest of civil justice. Patrons, Messrs. Cooke, Cox and Harwood.

To extend the time for collecting taxes accounted for by the city and county treasurers and not returned delinquent. Patron, John W. Stephenson.

To amend the Code in reference to the compensation of land assessors. Patron, Mr. Clement.

In relation to certain proper sanitary arrangements to be provided in factories, workshops, mercantile establishments or offices, and imposing penalties for failure to provide such arrangements. Patron, Mr. Clement.

To amend the Code as to the places of abode and for the safe custody and proper guardianship of children who are neglected, or who shall be ill-treated, neglected, or deserted by their parents, or who shall be exposed to immoral or vicious influences and training.

To require the licensing and adequate supervision of persons conducting maternity hospitals and lying-in asylums, and of those engaged in placing destitute children in family homes. Patron, Mr. Stearnes.

To amend an act to punish as a misdemeanor a person using abusive language to another. Patron, J. B. Johnson.

To amend the law as to the number of members of the revenue. Patron, Mr. Wissler.

To amend an act to provide for the consolidation of the courts of the counties of Loudoun, Culpeper, Stafford, and Shenandoah. Patron, Messrs. Toney, Cox, Harwood, Wingo and Casey.

To authorize the city of Portsmouth to establish water works to furnish a supply of water and to create a board of commissioners to establish a system of water works. Patron, Mr. Parker.

To amend the law as to the collection of transfer fees. Patron, C. A. Johnston.

To appropriate \$225 to monument fund of the Immortal Six Hundred Confederate Veterans. Patron, Mr. Keen.

To amend and re-enact section 19 of the Code of Virginia, 1887, in regard to exempting land of the United States from taxation. Patron, Mr. White.

To direct the Board of Charities and Public Welfare to make a survey of the insane and epileptic in the State of Virginia, and authorizing the employment of a clerk for that purpose, and appropriating money for same. Patron, Mr. Stearnes.

To appropriate certain sums of money from the Virginia State Treasury in aid of organized Confederate Memorial Associations of this State having in charge and that expend such money upon erecting monuments to the graves of Confederate soldiers or sailors.

To protect the fur-bearing animals of Princess Anne county. Va. Patron, Mr. Eaves.

To authorize the sinking fund commission of Virginia, in order to purchase, to purchase the fractional certificates now outstanding or hereafter issued, of both the United States and Federal issues. Patron, Mr. Eaves.

To amend the charter of the town of Salem. Patron, A. M. Bowman.

To provide a new charter for the town of Wytheville. Patron, Mr. Robinson.

To repeal certain acts in relation to the establishment of a university in the town of Pulaski. Patron, Mr. Trolinger.

To authorize the board of supervisors to appropriate whatever sum or sums of money that may be necessary out of any funds belonging to said county, or to make a special appropriation for the completion of or the erection of a monument to the Confederate soldiers of said county, seat, and to appropriate from time to time sufficient of the county funds to permanently care for, preserve and serve the same. Patrons, Messrs. Yarrell and Bell.

To provide for an election by the qualified voters of a district to determine whether or not intoxicating liquors shall be sold in any manner within the bounds of said district, if it is in favor of the sale of liquor, to prohibit the sale of liquor therein and to provide for biennial elections in said district on said questions. Patron, Mr. Yarrell.

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bridges in the county of Culpeper. Patron, Mr. Bell.

To repeal an act entitled an act declaring the Cowpasture River a public highway. Patron, John W. Stephenson.

To amend the Code having reference to the periodical appointment of assessors to assess lands and lots. Patron, Mr. Good.

To establish a "State Board of Accountancy" and prescribe its duties and powers, to provide for the granting of certificates to accountants, and to provide a penalty for violation of this act. Patron, Mr. Stebbins.

To amend the Code in relation to omitted lands: how re-entered and assessed. Patron, Mr. Speers, by request.

To appropriate the sum of \$2,345 to pay deficit in the cost of buildings at the Virginia School for the Deaf and Blind. Patrons, Messrs. Templeton and Kemper.

To amend the law in regard to the sinking fund. Patron, A. M. Bowman.

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To define delinquency, to regulate the practice of the same and to provide penalties for the violation of the provisions of this act. Patron, Mr. News.

To allow compensation to the "Virginia Home and Industrial School for the Deaf and Blind" for the maintenance of its students and for the maintenance of the school. Patron, Mr. Baker.

To provide for an enumeration of the inhabitants of the city of Newport News. Patron, Mr. Row.

To authorize the Board of Supervisors of Albemarle county to issue bonds to the sum of \$50,000 to be used in building a new courthouse, and in building bridges in each of the magisterial districts of said county, and for that purpose to issue the bonds of the county for the said sum of \$50,000. Patron, Mr. Stearnes.

To amend the law as to local assessments in cities and towns. Patron, Mr. Harwood.

To amend the Council of the city of Portsmouth to issue bonds for grading, paving and other street improvements. Patron, Mr. White.

In relation to pandering, to define and prohibit the same, to provide for the punishment of panders, and to provide a penalty for violation of this act. Patron, Mr. Byrd.

To amend an act to amend and re-enact an act to amend and re-enact an act to authorize school boards of the several school districts in the counties of this State to borrow money, and to provide for the payment of such bonds, and to provide a penalty for violation of this act. Patron, Mr. Stebbins.

To provide for the appropriation of school funds and for taking the census of children in school districts situated in more than one county. Patron, Mr. Oliver.

To authorize the district school board of Gratton school district of York county, Va., to borrow the sum of \$4,000 and to issue bonds therefor to the sum of \$4,000, and to provide for the payment of such bonds, and to provide a penalty for violation of this act. Patron, H. U. Stephenson.

To establish a public free school on the site of the old school building in the Association of Virginia, in Hanover county, and to provide for the conduct and maintenance of the same. Patron, Mr. Stearnes.

To ratify and confirm a contract for the sale of a lot entered into between the State Board of Directors of the State Board of Directors and D. Hutton. Patron, Mr. Wissler.

To permit the boards of supervisors to adopt the special law of any other county in this State. Patron, Mr. Evers.

To authorize the boards of supervisors of the respective counties and turnpike companies to make contracts with water companies or other companies to lay lines for water supply, and to provide for the payment of such bonds, and to provide a penalty for violation of this act. Patron, J. W. Stephenson.

To amend the Code in relation to the establishment, proper construction and permanent improvement of the roads and bridges, and to provide for the payment of such bonds, and to provide a penalty for violation of this act. Patron, J. W. Stephenson.

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To regulate the conduct and equipment of hotels, to provide for the punishment of hotel keepers, and to provide for the payment of such bonds, and to provide a penalty for violation of this act. Patron, Mr. Harwood.

To amend an act to provide a new charter for the city of Bristol. Patrons, Messrs. McChesney and Buck.

To amend the law as to weights and measures, to provide for the punishment of persons who unlawfully use or wear any insignia or button of any association, and to provide for the payment of such bonds, and to provide a penalty for violation of this act. Patron, Mr. Clement.

To amend the law as to the method of changing in charters. Patron, A. M. Bowman.

To amend the Code relating to assessments of lands, lots and interests therein, to provide for the payment of such bonds, and to provide a penalty for violation of this act. Patron, A. M. Bowman.



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city of Radford, and to repeal all other acts or parts of acts in conflict therewith. Patron, Mr. Johnston.

To amend an act to provide for authorizing county or city school boards to sell or exchange public school property, and to provide for the payment of such bonds, and to provide a penalty for violation of this act. Patron, Mr. Lewis.

To amend an act to define and regulate the sale, distribution, rectifying, manufacture and distilling of intoxicating liquors and malt beverages, and to impose license taxes thereon. Patron, Mr. Byrd.

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Under the clause of section 16 of the State Constitution which provides that "the Governor shall have the power to veto any particular item or items of an appropriation bill, but the veto shall not affect the item or items to which he does not object." Governor Mann has vetoed two clauses in the House upon recommendation of the Library Committee, under the impression that this action would cheapen the cost of the Virginia Reports to the lawyers, and at the same time make a profit for the State.

The reason for the veto is the same as that which the Governor in his objections to the semi-monthly wages bill. It is that the matter contained in the clause is not mentioned in the title. Therefore, pursuing the same reasoning, the Michle Company had no notice of the proposed changes, and the clause in the new matter, and had therefore no opportunity to appear and oppose the proposition. The contract will therefore remain in force for the next two years. Instead of being terminated on July 1 next, as provided in the bill.

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More Read Laws.  
To amend an act for working the roads of the county of Loudoun. Patron, Mr. Daniel.

To amend the law as to the annual listing of deeds. Patron, A. M. Bowman.

To amend an act for working and keeping in repair the roads of the county of Tazewell, and to provide for the payment of such bonds, and to provide a penalty for violation of this act. Patron, Mr. Adams.